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To: Workforce Development Area (WDA) Executive Directors &
WIA Youth Program Contacts

From: Ron Hunt, Director *RH*
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Subject: **WIA Policy Update 03-08 Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for 2003**
(WIA programs Updated Income Eligibility)

Purpose

To distribute the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for use in establishing participant income eligibility in WIA and other federally funded assisted programs. These new guidelines include the 70% LLSIL and 100% LLSIL. In March, the federal poverty level guidelines were sent to you with WIA Policy Update 03-06. You may review this policy update at http://www.dwd.state.wi.us/dwdwia/wia/wia_laws_regulations.htm.

These LLSIL guidelines went into effect on May 30, 2003.

Legislative and Policy Reference

- WIA legislation, Sections 101(25), 127(b)(2)(C) and 132(b)(1)(B)(v)(IV)

Action Required

Review and use these updated LLSIL eligibility guidelines to update WIA program eligibility and priority of service policies as appropriate and necessary for your area.

Should you have any questions, please contact Amy Phillips at (608) 267-3214 or amelia.phillips@dwd.state.wi.us.

Attachment: WIA Policy Update 03-07 – Lower Living Standard Income Level for 2003.

Cc: DWS/BPS - Local Program Liaisons

**WIA INCOME GUIDELINES
FOR DETERMINING ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS**

Poverty Guidelines Effective 2/07/03
70% LLSIL Guidelines Effective 05/30/03

NUMBER IN FAMILY INCLUDING APPLICANT	POVERTY GUIDELINES	70% OF THE LOWER LIVING STANDARD INCOME LEVEL (LLSIL)*		
		<u>A. Metro</u>	<u>B. Non-Metro</u>	<u>C. Mil. SMSA</u>
1	\$ 8,980	\$7,370	\$6,940	\$7,380
2	\$12,120	\$12,070	\$11,370	\$12,090
3	\$15,260	\$16,570	\$15,610	\$16,600
4	\$18,400	\$20,450	\$19,270	\$20,490
5	\$21,540	\$24,140	\$22,740	\$24,180
6	\$24,680	\$28,230	\$26,600	\$28,280
7	\$27,820	\$32,320	\$30,460	\$32,380
8	\$30,960	\$36,410	\$34,320	\$36,480
9	\$34,100	\$40,500	\$38,180	\$40,580
10	\$37,240	\$44,590	\$42,040	\$44,680
11	\$40,380	\$48,680	\$45,900	\$48,780
12	\$43,540	\$52,770	\$49,760	\$52,880
For each additional family member, add		\$3,140	\$4,090	\$3,860
				\$4,100

*The LLSIL may vary according to location in the state:

COLUMN A is for all of the metropolitan areas of the state, **except the Milwaukee Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area.**

*This includes Douglas, Chippewa, Eau Claire, Marathon, La Crosse, Brown, Sheboygan, Outagamie, Winnebago, Calumet, Rock, Dane, *Racine, and Kenosha Counties.*

COLUMN B is for all of the non-metropolitan areas of the state.

COLUMN C is for the Milwaukee-Racine Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Ozaukee, Washington, Waukesha and Milwaukee Counties.

Please notice that for some WDAs with both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas, you will have to use one of two columns, depending on whether the applicant lives in a metropolitan or non-metropolitan area, unless the WDB has chosen to use only one, in which case, you must use the lower (non-metro) column.

WIA INCOME GUIDELINES
Updated 2003 LLSIL (100%), by Family Size

NUMBER IN FAMILY INCLUDING APPLICANT	2003 LLSIL (100%), BY FAMILY SIZE A. 100%
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1	\$ 10,520
2	\$ 17,240
3	\$ 23,670
4	\$ 29,220
5	\$ 34,480
6	\$ 40,330
7	\$ 46,180
8	\$ 52,030
9	\$ 57,880
10	\$ 63,730
11	\$ 69,580
12	\$ 75,430

For Each Additional Family Member Add: \$5,850

COLUMN A Updated 2003 LLSIL (100%)- Use the LLSIL to determine the minimum level for establishing self-sufficiency criteria at the state or local level. This is the minimum figure States must set for determining whether employment leads to self-sufficiency under WIA programs.